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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC 1694

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SUBJECT : PROPOSED AMERICAN APPAREL MANUFACTURERS
ASSOCIATION (AAMA) IOGA TRADE MISSION TO
MIDDLE EAST

REFS : STATE 242260
TEHRAN 9821

1. VALUE OF BAHRAIN'S IMPORTS OF READY MADE CLOTHING (SITC 8411) HAS INCREASED FROM \$8 MILLION INNZQOUQ TO \$15 MILLION IN 1973. 66 PERCENT OF THIS FIGURE IS RE-EXPORTED, HOWEVER, WITH OVER HALF OF RE-EXPORTS GOING TO SAUDI ARABIA. SOURCE OF 1973 IMPORTS: PRC 28 PERCENT, HONG KONG 26 PERCENT, TAIWAN 20 PERCENT, U.K. 6 PERCENT, AND U.S. 4 PERCENT. IMPORTS OF TEXTILES AND MACHINERY LESS.

2. IF MARKET OF THIS SIZE ATTRACTIVE TO AAMA, MISSION MAY WISH TO CONSIDER INCLUDING BAHRAIN AS STOP FOR THOSE MEMBERS DEALING IN WEARING APPAREL. IF NO OPPORTUNITY IN READY MADE APPAREL EXISTS IN TEHRAN (TEHRAN 9821), MISSION MEMBERS COULD BE SPLIT OFF TO VIST BAHRAIN IF AND WHILE PARTY IS IN IRAN.

3. ASSUMING NO MISSIONS SCHEDULED FOR BAHRAIN DURING MAY 1975, POST SHOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE PROPER SUPPORT.
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